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It is respectfully requested that the enclosed declaration submitted herewith be joined up with the papers previously filed in this Application.

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## COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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Separation module, method for its production and its use

the specification of which is attached hereto,

or was filed on June 20, 2003 as

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, \$120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, \$112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, \$1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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